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program. However, there appears to be some excess funds in that particular program that is, at least in this particular year and in some years, it does not take that much money to administer the program. And the Governor and the department have taken an interest in trying to assist the municipalities and others in cleaning up roadside litter. So, what this bill would do would be to authorize the department to take excess monies out of their administration fund and pay it over to counties and municipalities who applied to the department for extra funds to help clean up roadside waste, and to provide...by that I mean some small assistance to the municipalities in cleaning up what is described more and more as a larger problem. The amount of money that would likely be transferred would probably be, from year to year, in the neighborhood of \$100,000, which isn't a whole lot of money to distribute for that purpose, but it is a little something that could be helpful. Senator Maurstad has raised a couple of responsible questions, and I'm...I appreciate the fact that he is willing to sit down and talk to people about those questions, and hopefully it can move to Select File. And if there are questions, hopefully we can get those resolved. But I think it's a good little piece of legislation and can be helpful to the municipalities in particular. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. There are no lights on. Do you have a closing?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Closing is waived. The question is, shall LB 495 be advanced? All of those in favor vote aye. Opposed vote nay. Record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 770.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 770 was introduced by Senator Brashear. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 22nd, referred to the Judiciary Committee. They report the bill to General File with no committee amendments.